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CAPTAIN BOND.

Japan, Egypt, Persia, the West Indies and other parts of the world, but the disease had such a hold upon my system that it was impossible to get relief. After trying all remedies I could get in different countries, and nearly every blood remedy in this country, without the slightest benefit, some one recommended S. S. S. This remedy promptly reached the disease, and has driven it entirely out of my system. I certainly pronounce S. S. S. a blessing to humanity, and heartily recommend it to all suffering from that most dreadful disease, malaria. I have frequently been at the point of death, with a temperature of 105, and when I began the use of S. S. S. I was so reduced in health, that my condition seemed hopeless. Now I am enjoying the best of health."

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## THE DREAM GOWN OF THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR.

BY BRANDER MATTHEWS,  
Author of "Vignettes of Manhattan."

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## SYNOPSIS.

Cosmo Waynflete, a young American traveler, returns to New York on Christmas morning. A friend has secured a room for him and he unpacks his things. Among them is a crystal ball and a Japanese dressing gown, curiously embroidered and with a blue sash. Cosmo serves as a button. Putting on this gown and gazing into the crystal, Cosmo falls asleep and dreams that he is a Samurai in Japan, pretending to be intoxicated in order to know an enemy of his guard. Then his dream changes and he finds himself attacked by a hideous monster and made to kill it only by the aid of his trusty sword.

## PART II.

Only a few minutes after, so it seemed to him at least, Cosmo Waynflete became doubtfully aware of another change of time and place—of another transformation of his own being. He knew himself to be alone once more and even without his trusty charger. Again he found himself groping in the dark. But in a little while there was a faint radiance of light; and at last the faint radiance came out from behind a tower. Then he saw that he was not by the roadside in Japan or in the desert of Persia, but now in some unknown city of Southern Europe, where the architecture was Italian and the people were of the Italian race. By the silver rays of the moon he was able to make out the beautiful design damasked upon the blade of the sword, which he held now in his hand ready drawn for self-defense.

Then he heard hurried footsteps down the empty street and a man rushed around the corner pursued by two others, who had also weapons in their hands. For the moment Cosmo Waynflete was a Spaniard, and to him it was a point of honor to aid the weaker party. He cried to the fugitive to pluck up heart and to withstand the enemy stoutly. But the hunted man fled on and after him went one of the pursuers, a tall, thin fellow, with a long black cloak streaming behind him as he ran.

The other of the two, a handsome lad with fair hair, came to a halt and crossed swords with Cosmo, and soon showed himself to be skilled in the art of fence. So violent was the young fellow's attack that in the ardor of self-defense Cosmo ran the boy through the body before he had time to hold his hand or even to reflect.

The lad toppled over sideways: "Oh! my mother!" he cried, and in a second he was dead. While Cosmo bent over the body, hasty footsteps again echoed along the silent thoroughfare. Cosmo peered around the corner and by the struggling moonbeams he could see that it was the tall, thin fellow in the black cloak, who was returning with half a score of retainers, all armed and some of them bearing torches.

Cosmo turned and fled swiftly, but being a stranger in the city he soon lost himself in its tortuous streets. Seeing a light in a window and observing a vine that trailed from the balcony, he climbed up boldly, and found himself face to face with a gray-haired lady, whose visage was beautiful and kindly and noble. In a few words he told her his plight and besought sanctuary. She listened to him in silence, with exceeding courtesy of manner, as though she were weighing his words before making up her mind. She raised the lamp on her table and let its beams fall on his lineaments. And still she made no answer to his appeal.

Then came a glare of torches in the street below and a knocking at the door. Then at last the old lady came to a resolution; she lifted the tapestry at the head of her bed and told him to be staid himself there. No sooner was he hidden than the tall, thin man in the long black cloak entered hastily. He greeted the elderly lady as aunt, and he told her that her son had been set upon by a stranger in the street and had been slain. She gave a great cry and never took her eyes from his face. Then he said that a servant had seen an unknown man climb to the balcony of her house. What if it were the assassin of her son? The blood left her face, and she clutched at the table behind her, as he gave orders to have the house searched.

When the room was empty at last, she went to the head of the bed and bade the man concealed there to come forth and begone, but to ever his face that she might not be forced to know him again. So saying, she dropped on her knees before a crucifix, while he slipped out of the window again and down to the deserted street.

He sped to the corner and turned it undiscovered and breathed a sigh of relief and of regret. He kept on steadily, gliding stealthily along in the shadows, until he found himself at the city gate, where the bell of the cathedral tolled the hour of midnight.

How it was that he passed through the gate he could not declare with precision, for seeing a mist had settled about him. Yet a few minutes later he saw that in some fashion he must have got beyond the walls of the town, for he recognized the open country all around him. And only a short time had elapsed when he found himself now discovered himself to be a native of the land. He could not say what manner of horse it was he was riding, but he felt sure that it was not the faithful charger that he had saved his life in Persia, once upon a time, in days long gone by, as it seemed to him then. He was not in Persia now—of that he was certain, nor in Japan, nor in the Spanish peninsula. Where he was he did not know.

In the dead hush of midnight he could hear the barking of a dog on the opposite shore of a dusky and indistinct waste of waters that spread itself far before him. The night grew darker and darker, the stars seemed to sink deeper in the sky, and driving clouds occasionally hid them from his sight. He had never felt so lonely and dismal. In the center of the road stood an enormous tulip-tree; its limbs were gnarled and fantastic, large enough to form trunks for ordinary trees, twisting down almost to the earth and spreading their branches in the air. As he approached this fearful tree, he thought he saw something white hanging in the midst of it, but on looking more narrowly he perceived that it was a white cloth or shawl, and he turned and fled. He heard the white wood lay bare. About two hundred yards from the tree a small brook crossed the road; and as he drew near he beheld a woman, a woman of the East, and in the dark shadow of the grove he beheld something huge, misshapen, black and towering. It stirred not, but seemed gathered up in the gloom

like some gigantic monster ready to spring upon the traveler.

He demanded in stammering tones, "Who are you?" He received no reply. He repeated his demand in a still more agitated voice. Still there was no answer. And then the shadowy object of alarm put itself in motion and with a scramble and a bound appeared in the middle of the road. He looked to be a horseman of large dimensions and mounted on a black horse of powerful frame. Having no relish for this strange midnight companion, Cosmo Waynflete urged on his steed in hopes of leaving the apparition behind; but the stranger quickened his horse also to an equal pace. And when the first horseman pulled up, thinking to lag behind, the second and third, there was something in the moody and dogged alliance of this pertinacious companion that was mysterious and appalling. It was soon fearfully accounted for. 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